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UMAB School of Law Graduates Among Maryland's Top 100 Women

Ten graduates of the School of Law are listed in Maryland's 1996 Top 100 Women, published by Warfield's Business Record. The law school takes great pride in their accomplishments. Congratulations on recognition well-deserved.

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1976: **Cary Adams** was appointed legal counsel to the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the chamber's Executive Committee for 1996. He is a partner at Diepenbrock, Wulff, Plant & Hannegan where he is chairman of the firm's business department and a member of its Executive Committee. Cary spoke on Healthcare Industry Trends at the Price Waterhouse Corporate Recovery Section Annual Program in Vail, Colo. His most recent publication was "Healthcare Industry Acquisitions," co-authored with two of his partners, in the California State Bar Association's Business Law News. He and his wife, Carol, have two daughters. **Clayton Greene Jr.** was appointed in October 1995 by Maryland Governor Parris Glendening to the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. He was formerly an Administrative Judge of the District Court of Anne Arundel County. **Stephen James Nolan** received the Professional Legal Excellence Award from the Maryland Bar Foundation at The Fourth Annual Professional Legal Excellence Awards Reception in Annapolis, Md.

1977: **Nancy E. Gregor** has been selected by the District 14 Judicial Court Nominating

Commission as a qualified candidate for the open seat left on the Baltimore City Circuit Court. **Claude Edward Hitchcock** returned to Tydings & Rosenberg LLP after serving as president, chief executive officer, and a director of Empower Baltimore Management Corporation, the corporation established to implement Baltimore's \$100 million federal Empowerment Zone grant. He concentrates his practice in the areas of government contracts, corporate litigation and lobbying. He is a member of the American, National, Maryland State, Baltimore City and Monumental Bar Associations. **John B. Isbister**, a partner in the Baltimore office of Tydings & Rosenberg LLP published "Courts Should Intensify Scrutiny Of Mass Tort Class Action Lawsuits" in the Washington Legal Foundation *Legal Backgrounder* Vol. 11 No. 7, February 16, 1996. John was elected as a director of the University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Association and was installed at the 5th Annual Honors Banquet in April.

1978: Maryland's Secretary of the Environment announced the appointment of **Ann Marie Debiase** as a deputy director of the Air and Radiation Management Administration. She has been with the department since its inception in 1987 and served as deputy counsel since 1989. **Victor H. Laws III** chaired a Wicomico County Task Force on financing a

minor league baseball stadium, thus returning minor league baseball to Maryland's Eastern Shore after an absence of more than 40 years.

1979: **Alison Asti** is a member of the 1996 Maryland State Bar Association Board of Governors. **Joseph M. Bracken** is consul in the U.S. Embassy in Manila. His four children are also attending school in the Philippines. **E. Paul Gibson**, of Riesen Law Firm, LLP was elected president-elect of the South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association. **David S. Iannucci** recently became a member of Maryland Governor Parris Glendening's Administration team. **Arthur, Chapman, Kettering, Smetak & Pikala, P.A.** in Minneapolis, Minn. announced **James F. Mewborn** has become an associate. He practices in the areas of products liability, professional liability, and automobile litigation. Tydings & Rosenberg LLP announced **Michael S. Scher** rejoined the firm as a partner and continues to focus his practice on real estate development and finance, including affordable housing development. In addition to working with developers and lending institutions in connection with real estate transactions, he supervises the firm's title work and the activities of the firm's title company.



Lynne Battaglia '74

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1980: Pamela A. Bresnahan is a partner at Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, in Washington, D.C., and practices in the areas of professional liability, especially lawyers, accountants, brokers and other commercial litigation. **Edward J. Gillis** is a member of the 1996 Maryland State Bar Association Board of Governors. **Rear Admiral Timothy W. Josiah** was transferred by the Coast Guard to New Orleans, La., to take command of the 8th Coast Guard District in charge of all Coast Guard Operations on the U.S. Gulf Coast and Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio rivers. **Richard L. Kirkpatrick** recently published *"Likelihood of Confusion in Trademark Law,"* a copy of which has been added to the collection at the Marshall Law Library. **Linda M. Schuett**, co-author of *The Maryland Rules Commentary*, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Providence Center, Inc. a non-profit organization that assists disabled adults to enjoy more independent and functioning roles in society.

1981: Deborah S. Byrnes is a member of the 1996 Maryland State Bar Association Board of Governors. **Melanie M. Shaw-Geter** was sworn in as a District Court Judge for Prince George's County. Prior to her appointment, she served as the chief of the homicide/narcotics division

for the State's Attorney's Office in Prince George's County. **Meg Lynn Rosthal** and **Anthony Richard Faranda** exchanged nuptial vows at their Harborcreek home in Erie, Pa.

1982: Linda C. Carter has become a Principal in Meyers, Billingsley, Rodbell & Rosenbaum, P.A. in the Riverdale, Md. office. **Anne Arundel Circuit Court Master in Chancery, Nancy David-Loomis** was named to replace Judge Clayton Greene by Governor Parris N. Glendening.

1983: Sara H. Arthur is a member of the 1996 Maryland State Bar Association Board of Governors. **Delegate Mary Louise Preis** was elected a director of the University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Association and was installed at the 5th Annual Honors Banquet in April.

1984: Craig F. Ballew was a recipient of the Maryland State Bar Association's 1996 People's Pro Bono Awards at the MSBA's meeting held in Ocean City, Md.

1985: Carolyn Jacobs has become a member of Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, L.L.C. and will practice in the firm's Health Care Department. General Master **Susan M. Marzetta** has been selected by the District 14 Judicial Court Nominating Commission as a qualified candidate for the open seat left on

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GOLDEN GRADS GATHER

Golden Graduates from the classes of 1950 and prior years gathered for lunch and a short program on May 21 in the Brune Room of the Marshall Law Library. The group was treated to an inside look of the School of Law by senior ranking faculty member, Professor John Ester. Golden Graduates meet annually. The group is chaired by Isaac Hecht '38, Sam Hopkins '38 and Judge Meyer Cardin '29. Transportation can be provided upon request. Please call the Alumni Office at (410) 706-2070 for information about the group. We hope you will join us at our next meeting!

Dean Donald Gifford chats with Golden Grad co-chair Judge Meyer Cardin '29.



Golden grads together again: Front row L-R: Leonard Kerpelmen '49, Sam Hopkins '38, Judge Jim Bundy '49, Justin Gould '27, Judge Marvin Smith '41, Isaac Hecht '38, Meyer Cardin '29, Judge Thomas Curley '49. Back row L-R: Professor John Ester, Bill Rafferty '36, Judge Bob Watts '49, Dean Donald Gifford, Claude Callegary '49, John Barrett '38, Bill Smith '50.



John Barrett '38 reminisces with classmate Sam Hopkins '38 while Claude Callegary '49 (background left) and Professor John Ester (background right) look on.